

VIA TELETYPE

DISPATCH

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

PROCESSING ACTION

MARKED FOR INDEXING

NO INDEXING REQUIRED

ONLY QUALIFIED DESK
CAN JUDGE INDEXING

TO

CHIEF, EE

INFO

CHIEF OF BASE, BONN

CHIEF, RID

FROM

CHIEF, CSB, FRANKFURT

SUBJECT

TRACING OF GERMAN VISA APPLICANTS

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCES/METHOD/EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
DATE 2008

SEE PARAGRAPH 3

1. THE FOLLOWING CABLE NOTE WAS RECEIVED FROM BONN -

"EMBASSY CONSULAR AFFAIRS SECTION HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED BY DEPT INSPECTORS TO TRACE ALL VISA APPLICANTS. OCA ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN REQUESTED. ESTIMATED 20 TO 30 TRACES PER MONTH ON ROUTINE BASIS. IT IS TENTATIVELY PLANNED TO HANDLE THESE IN FASHION SIMILAR TO ROUTINE SECURITY INTER OFFICE CHECKS. OTHER OCA MEMBERS FEEL THEY CAN PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND WE NOW DISCUSSING STANDARD FORM WHICH CAN BE USED BY ALL. CAN YOU PROVIDE THIS SERVICE? IF SO, I WILL ADVISE YOU WHEN NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED."

2. FRAN REPLIED AS FOLLOWS -

"1. BECAUSE IN PAST ALL VISA APPLICATIONS CHECKED IN FIELD WITH CENTRAL REGISTRY WHICH HAS RECORD ALL DAD TRACES AND DROPS AND WITH HQS BY I AND NS, FRAN WOULD NOT ACCEPT VISA CHECKS. CONSIDER THIS STILL VALID POSITION, BUT WILL CHECK WITH HQS VIA TELETYPE AS THERE MAY HAVE BEEN CHANGES IN PROCEDURES THERE."

"2. ACTUALLY COULD ABSORB 20-30 PER MONTH WITHOUT DIFFICULTY, BUT SUSPECT FIGURE UNREALISTIC VIEW PUBLISHED STATISTICS INCREASED NUMBER GERMAN TOURISTS TO U.S. WOULD NOT BE FEASIBLE TO UNDERTAKE LARGE NUMBER VISA CHECKS TO DETRIMENT OPS TRACING."

3. DO NOT WISH DAMAGE BONN'S RELATIONSHIP WITH CONSULAR AFFAIRS SECTION NOR APPEAR UNCOOPERATIVE VIEW ACCEPTANCE BY OTHER MEMBERS, OCA. ON OTHER HAND, DUPLICATE TRACING BY FRAN AND HEADQUARTERS /ASSUMING ALL FRAN INFO HQS/ NOT EFFICIENT ARRANGEMENT, AND IF NUMBER OF TRACES WERE CONSIDERABLY HIGHER THAN GIVEN ESTIMATE, THERE IS DANGER OF BACKLOGS DEVELOPING. IF HEADQUARTERS STILL TRACES ALL APPLICANTS FOR I AND NS, PERHAPS A REPLY TO THE EFFECT THAT BECAUSE THE

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APPLICATIONS WILL BE TRACED BY OUR HQS, THERE IS NO NEED TRACE HERE.
/HQS ALSO HAS MORE RECENT INFORMATION BECAUSE LATEST INDEX CARDS
FILED THERE BEFORE RECEIVED IN FIELD/. MAY WE HAVE HEADQUARTERS COM-
MENTS, PLEASE.

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